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REPORT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING

01/01/04

AND ENDING

12/31/04 MM/DD/YY

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MM/DD/YY

A. REGISTRANT IDENTIFICATION

First Winston Securities, Inc. NAME OF BROKER-DEALER:

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ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS: (Do not use P.O. Box No.)

FIRM I.D. NO.

121-E Reynolda Village

(No. and Street)

Winston-Salem

North Carolina

(State)

27106

(Zip Code)

NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF PERSON TO CONTACT IN REGARD TO THIS REPORT

William F. Marshall

(336) 761-1900

(Area Code - Telephone Number)

(Zip Code)

B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFICATION

INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT whose opinion is contained in this Report*

Butler & Burke, LLP, CPA's

(Name - if individual, state last, first, middle name)

100 Club Oaks Court, Suite A.

Certified Public Accountant

Winston-Salem,

NC 27104

(Address)

(City)

CHECK ONE:

☐ Public Accountant

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Accountant not resident in United States or any of its possessions.

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*Claims for exemption from the requirement that the annual report be covered by the opinion of an independent public accountant must be supported by a statement of facts and circumstances relied on as the basis for the exemption. See Section 240.17a-5(e)(2)

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OATH OR AFFIRMATION

I. William Marshall	, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of
my knowledge and belief the accompanying finance First Winston Securities,	ial statement and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of
of December 31	, 20 04 , are true and correct. I further swear (or affirm) that
neither the company nor any partner, proprietor, p	principal officer or director has any proprietary interest in any account
classified solely as that of a customer, except as fo	llows:
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Notary Public	
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	erve Requirements Under Exhibit A of Rule 15c3-3.
	unaudited Statements of Financial Condition with respect to methods of
consolidation.	
(I) An Oath or Affirmation.	
(m) A copy of the SIPC Supplemental Report.	the Control of the Co
X (o) Independent auditor's r	ies found to exist or found to have existed since the date of the previous audit. eport on internal accounting control.
	nin portions of this filing, see section 240.17a-5(e)(3).

TO BE COMPLETED WITH THE ANNUAL AUDIT REPORT ONLY:

INDEPENDENT	PUBLIC	ACCOU	NTAN	IT whose o	pinion	is contained in	n this	Report		T			
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Stockholders and Directors First Winston Securities, Inc. Winston-Salem, North Carolina

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of First Winston Securities, Inc. as of December 31, 2004, and the related statements of income (loss), changes in ownership equity, changes in liabilities subordinated to claims of general creditors, and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of First Winston Securities, Inc. as of December 31, 2004, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

Butly & Burke LLP

Winston-Salem, North Carolina January 13, 2005

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STA	TEMENT OF FINANC	CIAL CONDITION	12/21/0/
		As of (MM/DD/YY)	
		SEC FILE NO.	8-38999 98
•			Consolidated 198
			Consolidated 198 Unconsolidated 199
	ASSETS		Onconsontiated 199
	AGGETS		
	Allowable	Nonallowable	Total
·			
1 Cash \$ \$	596,912 2	00	\$596,912 750
2 Cush segregated in compliance with	105 /00	·	a the grade of the second
federal and other regulations	105,408 2	10	105,408 760
3. Receivable from brokers or dealers			
and clearing organizations:	•	•	
A. Failed to deliver:	•		
1. Includable in "Formula for Reserve Requirements"	[3	20	
2. Other		30	770
B. Securities borrowed:		39_	
1. Includable in "Formula for Reserve			
Requirements"	<u> </u>		
2. Other	2	50	780
C. Omnibus accounts:			
1. Includable in "Formula for Reserve			
Requirements"	2	60	the control of the property excepting the first the control of the
2. Other	2	70	790
D. Clearing organizations:			·
1. Includable in "Formula for Reserve			en e
Requirements"		80	800
2 Other		90 \$ 55	
E. Other		50	
A. Securities accounts:			
Cash and fully secured accounts	50 3	10	
2. Partly secured accounts	3	20 56	50
3. Unsecured accounts		5	70
B. Commodity accounts	3	305	30
C. Allowance for doubtful accounts) 3	35 () 59	50 820
b. Receivables from non-customers:			
A. Cash and fully secured accounts		40	830
Partly secured and unsecured accounts	3	50	00 830
6 Securities purchased under agreements	-		B40
to reself	3	60 7	05
7 Securities and spot commodities owned,			
at market value. A. Bankers acceptances, certificates of			•
deposit and commercial paper	3	70	
B. U.S. and Canadian government			
obligations	15 310 3	80	
C. State and municipal government		- 	•
obligations	560,944 3	90	
D Corporate obligations		00	OMIT PENNIES
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BROKER OR DEALER	•		as of
	First Winston Securities	. Inc.	
		ANCIAL CONDITION	

ASSETS

		Allowable	Monallowable	<u>Total</u>
	E. Stocks and warrants	7s 40,800	410	
	F. Options		420	
	G. Arbitrage		422	•
	H. Other securities		424	:
	I. Spot commodities		430	s 617,054 850
8.	Securities owned not readily marketable:			
	A. At Cost \$ 130			
	B. At estimated fair value		[440] s	610 860
9.	Other investments not readily marketable:			
-	A. At Cost\$ 140]		
	B. At estimated fair value		450	620 870
10.	Securities borrowed under subordination agree			
	ments and partners' individual and capital			
	securities accounts, at market value:	•		
	A. Exempted	1	•	
	securities\$. 150			630
	B. Other\$ 160	10	460	630 880
11.	Secured demand notes-			
	market value of collateral:	•		•
	A. Exempted		•	
	securities\$ 170		[]	640
	8. Other\$ 180		470	640 890
12.	Memberships in exchanges:			
	A. Owned, at market			
	value \$ 190			
	B. Owned at cost			650
	C. Cantributed for use of campany,		_	The state of the s
	at market value		<i>δ</i>	660 900
17	Investment in and receivables from			
	affiliates, subsidiaries and			
	associated partnerships	•	480	670 7
14	Property, furniture, equipment, leasehold	-		
	improvements and rights under			
	lease agreements:			
	At cost (net of accumulated			
	depreciation and amortization)		490 2.728	680 2,728 920
15.	Other Assets:			
	A. Dividends and interest receivable,	10,076	500	690
	B Free shipments		510	700
	C Loans and advances		520	710
	D Miscellaneous	"- <u></u>	10,331	720 20,407 930
6	TOTAL ASSETS	s 1,329,500	540 s 13,059	740 s 1,342,559 1940
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as of 12/31/04

Winston Securities, Inc. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

LIABILITIES AND OWNERSHIP EQUITY

	Liabilities	A.I. Liabilities •		Non-A.I. Liabilities *	Total
17.	Bank loans payable:				
	A. Includable in "Formula for Reserve	•			
	Requirements"	\$	1030 \$	1240	\$ 1460
- .	B. Other		1040	1250	1470
18.	Securities sold under repurchase agreements			1260	1480
	Payable to brokers or dealers and				
	clearing organizations:				•
	A. Failed to receive:	'			
	1. Includable in "Formula for Reserve				
	Requirements"		1050	1270	1490
-	2. Other		1060	1280	1500
-	B. Securities loaned:				
	1. Includable in "Formula for Reserve		 1		n in the service with a prompting grate with the
	Requirements"		1070		▼ Til Bire Art High 1510
	2. Other	¥ 16	1080	1290	1520
	C. Omnibus accounts:				
	1. Includable in "Formula for Reserve				submitted assembly a decomposite of participates
	Requirements"		1090		1530
	2. Other		1095	1300	1540
	D. Clearing organizations:				
_	 Includable in "Formula for Reserve 				TO COMPLETE SETTING TO COMPLETE SETTING TO THE SETTING TO THE SET IN THE SET
_	Requirements"	 	1100	1	1550
	2. Other		1105	1310	1560
	E. Other		1110	1320	1570
20.	Payable to customers:			•	
	A. Securities accounts including free credits		[440]		▼েলে সালালা সাল্যাস্থ্যসূত্ৰ
	of	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	1120	1.222	1580
_	B. Commodities accounts	12	1130	1330	1590
21.	Payable to non customers:			[1240]	1600
	A. Securities accounts		1140	1340	1610
	B. Commodities accounts		1150	1350	
22.	Securities sold not yet purchased at market				
	value - including arbitrage			1360	1620
	of\$960			1360	
23.	Accounts payable and accrued liabilities				
	and expenses:		1160	•	1630
	A Drafts payable	356	1170		356 1640
_	B. Accounts payable		1180		▼ 1650
_	C. Income taxes payable			1370	1660
	D. Deferred income taxes		1190	1.0,01	1670
	E. Accrued expenses and other liabilities	1,032	1200	1380	1,032 1680
_	F. Other	161,U.5/4		1.000	OMIT PENNIES

*Brokers or Dealers electing the alternative net capital requirement method need not complete these columns.

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First Winston Securities, Inc.

as of 12/31/04

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

LIABILITIES AND OWNERSHIP EQUITY (continued)

		A.I.	Non-A.I.	•
	Liabilities	Liabilities *	Liabilities •	Total
	·			
24.	Notes and mortgages payable:		,	
	A. Unsecured	1210	<u></u>	\$1690
	B. Secured	1211	\$ 1390	1700
25.	Liabilities subordinated to claims of			; ·
_	general creditors:			Strates for the first of the second of the s
	A. Cash borrowings		1400	1710
	1. from outsiders 3 970			
	2. Includes equity subordination (15c3-1 (d))			
	of \$ 980			THE CONTROL OF THE STANDARD CONTROL OF THE STANDARD STANDARD CONTROL OF THE ST
	B. Securities borrowings, at market value;		. 1410	1720
_	from outsiders \$990	A many		
_				
	C. Pursuant to secured demand note			_ Time Till (1905) is a specificações atributes (1906)
	collateral agreements;		1420	1730
	1. from outsiders \$ 1000			
•	2. Includes equity subordination (15c3-1 (d))			
	of \$1010	•		
	D. Exchange memberships contributed for			international properties of the control of the cont
_	use of company at market value		1430	1740
	E. Accounts and other borrowings not		1 —	ing common of the property of the section of the se
	qualified for net capital purposes	1220	1440	1750
26	TOTAL LIABILITIES \$	1,388 1230	\$ 1450	s 1,388 1760
	•			
	Ownership Equity			•
	Sale proprietorship		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	. \$ 1770
28.	Partnership-limited			[
•		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	1780
29. •	Corporation			[
	A. Preferred stock			
J	B Common stock			
	C. Additional paid-in capital			798,312 1794
	D Returned earnings		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	
ł	E. Total			
•	F. Less capital stock in treasury			
30. •	TOTAL OWNERSHIP EQUITY		,	\$ 1,341,171 \[\text{1800}
١		..		s 1 342 559 1810
31	TOTAL LIABILITIES AND OWNERSHIP E	DUITY	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	
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PART II—FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL COMBINED UNIFORM SINGLE REPORT

BROKER OR DEALER For the period (MMDDYY) f	frbm \$ 01/01/04	3932 42/31/0	4 3933
First Winston Securities, Inc. Number of months included			3931
REVENUE STATEMENT OF INCOME (LOSS)			
1. Commissions:			
a. Commissions on transactions in listed equity securities executed on an exchange			3935
b. Commissions on transactions in exchange listed equity securities executed over-the-counter			3937
c. Commissions on listed option transactions			3938
d. All other securities commissions		<u></u>	3939
e. Total securities commissions			3940
2. Gains or losses on firm securities trading accounts			
a. From market making in over-the-counter equity securities		·	3941
i. Includes gains or (losses) OTC market making in exchange listed equity securities	3943		
b. From trading In debt securities		1,376,492	3944
c. From market making in options on a national securities exchange	····		394
d. From all other trading			3949
e. Total gains or (losses)	- 		3950
3. Gains or losses on firm securities investment accounts	-		
a. Includes realized gains (losses)	4235		
b. Includes unrealized gains (losses)	4236		
c. Total realized and unrealized gains (losses)		¥ zaponejagyané an ak	395
4. Profits or (losses) from underwriting and selling groups		(29,877)	395
a. Includes underwriting income from corporate equity securities	4237	(27,0//)	
5. Margin interest			3980
6. Revenue from sale of investment company shares	-		3970
7. Fees for account supervision, investment advisory and administrative services			397
8. Revenue from research services	-		3960
9. Commodities revenue	-		3990
Other revenue related to securities business		▼ .	398
1. Other revenue	-		399
2. Total revenue		36,758	4030
	=	1,383,373	
XPENSES		FOF 000	444
3. Registered representatives' compensation	-		4110
4. Clerical and administrative employees' expenses	-		4010
5. Salaries and other employment costs for general partners, and voting stockholder officers		<u>314,594</u>	4120
a. Includes interest credited to General and Limited Partners capital accounts			
6. Floor brokerage paid to certain brokers (see definition)			4055
7. Commissions and clearance paid to all other brokers (see definition)			4145
8. Clearance paid to non-brokers (see definition)			4135
9. Communications			4060
0. Occupancy and equipment costs		30,087	4080
1. Promotional costs			4150
2. Interest expense		7,137	4075
B. Includes Interest on accounts subject to subordination agreements	4070		
3. Losses in error account and bad debts			4170
4. Data processing costs (including service bureau service charges)		X 8,913	4186
5. Non-recurring charges			4190
6. Regulatory fees and expenses		8,462	4195
7. Other expenses		100.605	4100
8. Total expenses		1.266.841	4200
NET INCOME	-		
9. Income (loss) before Federal income taxes and items below (Item 12 less Item 28)		116,532	4210
0. Provision for Federal income taxes (for parent only)			4220
1. Equity in earnings (losses) of unconsolidated subsidiaries not included above			4222
a. After Federal income taxes of		··	
2. Extraordinary gains (losses)		0	4224
a. After Federal income taxes of			
		0	4225
Cumulative effect of changes in accounting principles Net income (loss) after Federal income taxes and extraordinary items		=	4230
		116,532	
MONTHLY INCOME 15. Income (current month only) before provision for Federal income taxes and extraordinary item			4211
is Income Journal month only) before provision for Federal income taxes and extraordinary item	15.,.,.,		
See accompanying notes to financial statements.	_		Page

FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL COMBINED UNIFORM SINGLE REPORT Capital Withdrawals PART II

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Ownership Equity and Subordinated Liabilities maturing or proposed to

be withdrawn within the next six months and accruals, which	have
not been deducted in the computation of net capital.	
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Equity Capital	
A. Partnership Capital: 1. General Partners	4700
2. Limited	4710
3. Undistributed Profits	4720
4. Other (describe below)	4730
5. Sole Proprietorship	4735
1. Common Stock	4740
2. Preferred Stock	4750
3. Retained Earnings (Dividends and Other)	4760
4. Other (describe below)	4770
Subordinated Liabilities	14770)
A. Secured Demand Notes	4780
B. Cash Subordinations	4790
C. Debentures	4800
D. Other (describe below)	
Other Anticipated Withdrawals	4010]
A. Bonuses	4820
B. Voluntary Contributions to Pension or Profit Sharing Plans	4860
C. Other (describe below)	4870
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN OWNERSHIP EQUITY (SOLE PROPRIETORSHIP, PARTNERSHIP OR CORPORAT	
Balance, beginning of period	\$ 1,416,266 42
A. Net income (loss)	116 500
Additions (Includes non-conforming capital of	4262) 42
Deductions (Includes non-conforming capital of	4272) 191,627 42
alance, end of period (From Item 1800)	s 1,341,171 42
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN LIABILITIES SUBORDINA	ATED
TO CLAIMS OF GENERAL CREDITORS	
alance, beginning of period	s <u> </u>
Increases	
Decreases	
Balance, end of period (From item 3520)	s 0 4 1 1 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4
	\$143

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

FIRST WINSTON SECURITIES, INC. STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS For the Year Ended December 31, 2004

OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Net income Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:	\$	116,532
Depreciation (Increase)/Decrease in operating assets:		329
Securities owned, net Interest receivable		719,562
Other assets		2,252 (10,381)
Increase/(Decrease) in operating liabilities: Accrued expenses		394
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES		828,688
INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Purchase of property and equipment		(1,531)
NET CASH USED IN INVESTING ACTIVITIES		(1,531)
FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Repayment of secured short term bank loans, net Dividends paid		(34,000) (191,627)
NET CASH USED IN FINANCING ACTIVITIES		(225,627)
INCREASE IN CASH		601,530
Cash, Beginning		100,790
Cash, Ending	<u>\$</u>	702,320
Supplemental cash flow disclosures: Interest paid	<u>\$</u>	7,137

FIRST WINSTON SECURITIES, INC. NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE A: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

First Winston Securities, Inc. is registered as a dealer pursuant to Section 15(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. The Company deals primarily in municipal bonds and performs underwriting services only as a participating underwriter. The Company's customers are generally located in North Carolina.

Securities Transactions

Securities transactions (and related revenues and expenses) are recorded on a settlement date basis, generally the third business day following the trade date.

Securities

Marketable securities owned by the Company are valued at market value. Net unrealized gains and losses are reflected in operations. Securities not readily marketable are valued at fair value as determined by management.

Underwriting Service

Underwriting fees or expenses are recognized when the underwriting is completed and the income or expense is reasonably determinable.

Cash Equivalents

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, the Company considers all short-term debt securities purchased with a maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

Receivables From and Payables to Customers and Dealers

Amounts receivable from and payable to customers and dealers represent the contract amount of securities which have not been received or delivered by the settlement date.

Property and Depreciation

Property is recorded at cost. Depreciation is generally computed using accelerated methods over estimated useful lives of five to seven years.

Income Taxes

The Company has elected to be taxed under the provision of Subchapter S of the Internal Revenue Code. Accordingly, the financial statements do not include a provision for income taxes because the Company does not incur federal or state income taxes. Instead, its earnings and losses are included in the stockholders' personal income tax returns and are taxed based on their personal tax strategies.

NOTE A: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

NOTE B: PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

Property and equipment is summarized as follows at December 31, 2004:

Vehicle	\$ 39,345
Leasehold improvements	1,905
Office furniture and equipment	60,038
·	101,288
Less: accumulated depreciation and amortization	(98,560)
	\$2,728

NOTE C: SECURED SHORT TERM BANK LOANS

At December 31, 2004, the Company had agreements with a bank to borrow funds of up to \$20,000,000 as needed on a secured basis to carry inventory and to cover failed transactions. Interest on these loans is charged at LIBOR plus 2.5% (4.92%) at December 31, 2004. The loans are fully collateralized by the Company's trading inventory. No amounts were owed on these loans at December 31, 2004. The agreements with the bank expire on May 30, 2005.

NOTE D: COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

In the normal course of business, the Company enters into underwriting commitments and when-issued contracts. At December 31, 2004, the Company expected no losses from such open commitments.

NOTE E: LEASES

The Company leases its office space under a noncancellable operating lease. Future minimum lease payments under the terms of this agreement at December 31, 2004 are as follows:

2005 \$ 7,704

Rent expense under this lease was \$18,339 in 2004.

FIRST WINSTON SECURITIES, INC. NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE F: MINIMUM NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS

The Company, as a registered securities broker-dealer, is subject to the Securities and Exchange Commission Uniform Net Capital Rule (Rule 15c3-1). This rule prohibits a broker-dealer from engaging in any securities transaction when its aggregate indebtedness exceeds 15 times its net capital, as those terms are defined by the rule. At December 31, 2004, the Company had net capital of \$1,292,303 which exceeded its required net capital of \$100,000 and its net capital ratio was .0011 to 1.



SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION REQUIRED BY SEC RULE 17a-5

Stockholders and Directors First Winston Securities, Inc. Winston-Salem, North Carolina

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of First Winston Securities, Inc. for the year ended December 31, 2004, and have issued our report thereon dated January 13, 2005. Our audit was performed for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The information contained in the schedules on the following pages is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements, but is supplementary information required by rule 17a-5 of the Securities and Exchange Commission. Such information, as applicable, has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Buthor & Burker LLP

Winston-Salem, North Carolina January 13, 2005

BROKER OR DEALER .	as of <u>12/31/04</u>
First Winston Securities, Inc	
COMPUTATION OF NET	CAPITAL
1. Total ownership equity (from Statement of Financial Condition – Item 1800)	\$1 341 171 3480
2. Deduct: Ownership equity not allowable for net capital	
3. Total ownership equity qualified for net capital	
4. Add:	
A. Liabilities subordinated to claims of general creditors allowable in computation of	
B. Other (deductions) or allowable credits (List)	
5 Total capital and allowable subordinated liabilities	\$ 1 341 171 3530
6. Deductions and/or charges:	2,5 12,272
A. Total non-allowable assets from	10.000
Statement of Financial Condition (Note B and C)	s 13,059 3540
1. Additional charges for customers' and	
non-customers' security accounts	3550
2. Additional charges for customers' and	
non-customers' commodity accounts	
B. Aged fail-to-deliver:	3570
1. Number of items	
C. Agest short security differences-less	·
reserve of	3580
number of items	
D. Secured demand note deficiency	3590
E. Commodity futures contracts and spot commodities	
proprietary capital charges	3600
F. Other deductions and/or charges	3610
G. Deductions for accounts carried under Rule 15c3-1(a)(6), (a)(7) and (c)(2)(x)	
H. Total deductions and/or charges	
7. Other additions and/or allowable credits (List)	
8. Net Capital before haircuts on securities positions	\$
9 Haircuts on securities: (computed, where applicable,	
pursuant to 15c3·1 (f)):	1 017 2550
A. Contractual securities commitments	
B. Subordinated securities borrowings	
C. Trading and Investment securities:	
Bankers' acceptances, certificates of deposit	3680
and commercial paper	"
U.S. and Canadian government obligations	300
	20,070
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5. Stocks and warrants	
6. Options	
8. Other securities	*
D. Undue concentration.	**
E. Other (list)	3736 (35 809 3740
10. Net Copital	\$1 292 303 3750
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_		COMPUTATION OF BASIC NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENT	
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	Minimum net r	apital required (6-2/3° of line 19)	s 92 375
		r net capital requirement of reporting broker or dealer and minimum net capital requirement of	<u> </u>
		computed in accordance with Note (A)	s 100,000 375
		quirement (greater of line 11 or 12)	
		pital (line 10 less 13)	
		pital at 1000% (line 10 less 10% of line 19)	
		COMPUTATION OF AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS	
		lities from Statement of Financial Condition	s <u>1,388</u> 379
	Add:	mmediate credit	ภ
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		te of securities borrowed for which no strain is paid or credited	តា
		corded amounts (List) \$ 3820	
		Iment based on deposits in Special Reserve Bank Accounts (15c3-1 (c) (1) (vii))	
		e indebtedness	
		aggregate indebtedness to net capital (line 19 by line 10)	:. <u>} </u>
		Aggregate Indebtedness to net capital <u>after</u> anticipated capital withdrawals	
	(line 19 ÷ t	by line 10 less Item 4880 page 11)	·. 0011 38
		COMPUTATION OF ALTERNATE NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENT	
	IB N/A		
	2% of combin	ned aggregate debit items as shown in Formula for Reserve Requirements pursuant to Rule 15c3-3	·
	•	of the date of the net capital computation including both brokers or dealers	
	and consoli	dated subsidiaries' debits	387
		ir net capital requirement of reporting broker or dealer and minimum net capital	·
	requirement	of subsidiaries computed in accordance with Note (A)	s 38
	Net capital re	quirement (greater of fine 22 or 23)	\$
	Excess net ca	oital (line 10 less 24)	s
	Percentage of	Net Capital to Aggregate Debits (line 10 ÷ by line 17 page 8)	%385
	Percentage of	Net Capital, <u>alter</u> anticipated capital withdrawals, to Aggregate Debits	
	(line 10 less	ltem 4880 page 11 ÷ by line 17 page 8)	% 38
	Net capital in e		
	5% of combine	d aggregate debit items or \$120,000 · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	₹ S 392
ŗ	c N/A	OTHER RATIOS	
	•	debt to debt-equity total computed in accordance with Rule 15c3-1 (d)	· (386
		tions/Net Capital ratio (1000% lest) total deductions exclusive of liquidating equity under	70
		· · ·	0',
	17018 1203-1	(a)(6), (a)(7) and (c)(2)(x) + Net Capital	38
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j	The minimum	net capital requirement should be computed by adding the minimum dollar net capital requirement	
	1. Minimum d	ng broker dealer and, for each subsidiary to be consolidated, the greater of: ollar net capital requirement, or ogregate indebtedness or 2% of aggregate debits if alternative method is used.	
)	Do not deduc	the value of securities borrowed under subordination agreements or secured demand notes	
	exchanges co included in no	bordination agreements not in satisfactory form and the market values of memberships in htributed for use of company (contra to item 1740) and partners' securities which were in-altowable assets.	
()	For reports fil non-allowable	ed pursuant to paragraph (d) of Rule 17a-5, respondent should provide a list of material assets.	

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FIRST WINSTON SECURITIES, INC. AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2004

RECONCILIATION OF COMPUTATION OF NET CAPITAL UNDER RULE 15c3-1 OF THE SECURITIE AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WITH COMPANY'S COMPUTATION (included in Part II of X-17A-5 as December 31, 2004)	-

There is no material difference in net capital computed in this report and that reported by the Company in Part II of Form X-17A-5 as of December 31, 2004.

BROKER OR DEALER

First Winston Securities, Inc.

as of 12/31/04

COMPUTATION FOR DETERMINATION OF RESERVE REQUIREMENTS FOR BROKER-DEALERS UNDER RULE 15c3-3 (See Rule 15c3-3, Exhibit A and Related Notes)

CRI	EDIT BALANCES	
1.	Free credit balances and other credit balances in customers'	
	security accounts (see Note A, Exhibit A, Rule 15c3-3)	
2.	Monies borrowed collateralized by securities carried for the accounts	•
	of customers (see Note B)	
3.	Monies payable against customers' securities loaned (see Note C)	
4.	Customers' securities failed to receive (see Note D)	
5.	Credit balances in firm accounts which are attributable to	. ·
	principal sales to customers	
6.	Market value of stock dividends, stock splits and similar distributions	
•	receivable outstanding over 30 calendar days	
8.	**Market value of short securities and credits (not to be offset by longs or by	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
	debits) in all suspense accounts over 30 calendar days	
9.	Market value of securities which are in transfer in excess of 40 calendar days	
	and have not been confirmed to be in transfer by the transfer agent or	
	the issuer during the 40 days	
10.	Other (List)	THE SERVE PROPERTY OF THE PROPERTY AND THE PROPERTY AND THE PROPERTY OF THE PROPERTY AND THE PROPERTY OF THE P
11.	TOTAL CREDITS	\$ 4430
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	BIT BALANCES	
12.	**Debit balances in customers' cash and margin accounts excluding unsecured	
	accounts and accounts doubtful of collection net of deductions pursuant to	
	Note E, Exhibit A, Rufe 15c3-3 \$ 4440	
13.	Securities borrowed to effectuate short sales by customers and	
	securities borrowed to make delivery on customers'	
	securities failed to deliver	
14,	Failed to deliver of customers' securities not older than 30 calendar days 4460	
15.	Margin required and on deposit with the Options	
	Clearing Corporation for all option contracts	
	written or purchased in customer accounts (See Note F)	
16.	Other (List)	
17	**Aggregate debit items	4470
		1 4471
	**less 3% (for alternative method only — see Rule 15c3-1 (f) (5) (ii)	C 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10
13.	**TOTAL 15c3-3 DEBITS	
RE	SERVE COMPUTATION	•
	Excess of total debits over total credits (line 19 less line 11)	4480
	Excess of total credits over total debits (line 11 less line 19)	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
	If computation permitted on a monthly basis, enter 105% of	
		4500
23	excess of total credits over total debits	
-0.	Amount held on deposit in "Reserve Bank Account(s)", including	4510
2.4	value of qualified securities, at end of reporting period	
24.	Amount of deposit (or withdrawal) including \$ 4515 value of qualified securities	4520
25	New amount in Reserve Bank Account(s) after adding deposit or subtracting withdrawal including	প্রায়ন্ত্রীক লিপ্ত প্রায়েক্ত্রীক্রিয়ার্ক্তরী
- J.	\$ 4525 Value of qualified securities	s 4530
26.	Date of deposit (MMDDYY)	4540
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FR	EQUENCY OF COMPUTATION	
27.	Daily . 4332 Weekly 4333 Monthly 4334	

"In the event the Not Capital Requirement is computed under the alternative method, this "Reserve Formula" shall be prepared in accordance with the requirements of paragraph (!) of Rule 15c3-1.

PART II			
BROKER OR DEALER First Winston Securities, Inc.	s of	12/31/04	
COMPUTATION FOR DETERMINATION OF RESERVE REQUIREMENTS FOR BROKER-DEALERS UNDER RULE 15c3-3 (continued)	<u></u>		
EXEMPTIVE PROVISIONS			
28. If an exemption from Rule 15c3-3 is claimed, identify below the section upon which such exemption is based (check one only)		•	
A. (k) (1)—\$2,500 capital category as per Rule 15c3-1	. ,,	<i>.</i>	4
B. (k) (2)(A)—"Special Account for the Exclusive Benefit of		v	
customers" maintained		X	4
C. (k) (2)(B)—All customer transactions cleared through another broker-dealer on a fully disclosed basis. Name of clearing			
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firm. si 4335 D. (k) (3)—Exempted by order of the Commission	لـٰ	-	4:
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Information for Possession or Control Requirements Under Rule 15c3-3			
State the market valuation and the number of items of:			
1. Customers' fully paid securities and excess margin securities not in the respondent's possession			
or control as of the report date (for which instructions to reduce to possession or control had			
been issued as of the report date) but for which the required action was not taken by respondent			·
within the time frames specified under Rule 15c3-3. Notes A and B	. \$		45
A. Number of Items	•		45
2. Customers' fully paid securities and excess margin securities for which instructions to reduce			
to possession or control had not been issued as of the report date, excluding items arising			
from "temporary lags which result from normal business operations" as permitted under			
Rule 15c3-3. Notes B, C and D	. \$		45
A. Number of Items	_		45
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The system and procedures utilized in complying with the requirement to maintain physical possession or control of customers' fully paid and excess margin securities have been tested and are functioning in a			
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- A Do not include in item one customers' fully paid and excess margin securities required by Rule 15c 3-3 to be in possession or control but for which no action was required by the respondent as of the report date or required action was taken by respondent within the time frames specified under Rule 15c3-3.
- B—State separately in response to items one and two whether the securities reported in response thereto were subsequently reduced to possession or control by the respondent.

manner adequate to fulfill the requirements of Rule 15c3-3 Yes

- C—Be sure to include in item two only items not arising from "temporary lags which result from normal business operations" as permitted under Rule 15c3-3.
- D—Item two must be responded to only with report which is filed as of the date selected for the broker's or dealer's annual audit of financial statements, whether or not such date is the end of a calendar quarter. The response to item two should be filed within 60 calendar days after such date, rather than with the remainder of this report. This information may be required on a more frequent basis by the Commission or the designated examining authority in accordance with Rule 17a-5(a)(2)(iv).

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First Winston Securities, Inc.

as	of	12/31/04

SCHEDULE OF SEGREGATION REQUIREMENTS AND FUNDS IN SEGREGATION

CUSTOMERS' REGULATED COMMODITY FUTURES ACCOUNTS

SEGREGATION REQUIREMENTS

1.	Net ledger balance:	
	A. Cash	\$ 7010
	B. Securities (at market)	7020
2.	Net unrealized profit (loss) in open futures contracts traded on a contract market	7030
3.	Exchange traded options:	,
	A. Add: Market Value of open option contracts purchased on a contract market	7032
	B. Deduct: Market Value of open option contracts granted (sold) on a contract market	() 7033
4.	Net equity (deficit) (total of 1, 2 and 3)	7040
5.	Add accounts liquidating to a deficit and accounts with debit balances with no open trades	7050
6.	Amount required to be segregated (total of 4 and 5)	7060
FU	NDS ON DEPOSIT IN SEGREGATION	
7.	Deposited in segregated funds bank accounts:	
	A. Cash	\$ 7070
	B. Securities representing investments of customers' funds (at market)	7080
	C. Securities held for particular customers or option customers in lieu of cash (at market)	7090
8,	Margins on deposit with clearing organizations of contract markets:	
	A. Cash	7100
	B. Securities representing investments of customers' funds (at market)	7110
	C. Securities held for particular customers or option customers in lieu of cash (at market	7120
9.	Settlement due from (to) clearing organizations of contract markets	7130
10.	Exchange traded options:	
	A. Add: Unrealized receivables for option contracts purchased on contract markets	7132
	B. Deduct: Unrealized obligations for option contracts granted (sold) on contract markets	7133
11.	Net equities with other FCMs	7140
12.	Segregated funds on hand:	
	A. Cash	7150
	B. Securities representing investments of customers' funds (at market)	7160
	C. Securities held for particular customers in lieu of cash (at market)	7170
13.	Total amount in segregation (total of 7 through 12)	
14.	Excess (insufficiency) funds in segregation (13 minus 6)	\$ 7190

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First Winston Securities, Inc.

Ownership Equity and Subordinated Liabilities maturing or proposed to be withdrawn within the next six months and accruals, (as defined below), which have not been deducted in the computation of Net Capital.

Type of Proposed withdrawal or Accrual See below for code to enter

N/A

Name of Lender or Contributor

Insider or Outsider? (In or Out) Amount to be Withdrawn (cash amount and/or Net Capital Value of Securities) (MMDDYY) Withdrawal or Maturity Date Expect to Renew (yes of no)

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	4620	4621	4622	4623	4624	4625
" —— .,,	4630	4631	4632	4633	4634	4635
] <u> </u>	4640	4641	4642	4643	4644	4645
" 		4651	4652	4653	4654	4655
ļ	4660	4661	4662	4663	4664	4665
"—— [<u>*</u>	4670	4671	4672	4673	4674	4675
J '' J_	4680	4681	4682	4683	4684	4685
] _}	4590	4691	4692	4693	4694	4695

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'To agree with the total on Recap (Item No. 4880)

Instructions:

Detail listing must include the total of items maturing during the six month period following the report date, regardless of whether or not the capital contribution is expected to be renewed. The schedule must also include proposed capital withdrawals scheduled within the six month period following the report date including the proposed redemption of stock and payments of liabilities secured by lixed assets (which are considered allowable assets in the capital computation pursuant to Rule 15c3-1(c)(2)(iv)), which could be required by the lender on demand or in less than six months.

WITHDRAWAL CODE:

DESCRIPTION

1.

Equity Capital

2.

Subordinated Liabilities

3.

Accruals

4.

15c3-1(c)(2)(iv) Liabilities

BROKER OR DEALER

as of 12/31/04

	FINANC	NA IAI	DOPERATIONA	L DATA			
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	Month and total number of stock record breaks uncasolved a	over three i	business days	Valuation	n	Numt	nut
•	A breaks long				4890		4900
	B. breaks short				4910		4920
	Is the firm in compliance with. Rule 17a 13 regarding period						
	verification of securities positions and locations at least of					•	
	calendar quarter? (Check one)			V., [4930	No [494
	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •				1 (4330)	1417	
	A) If response is negative attach explanation of steps being t	aken lo ci	omply with Hule 17	a·13.			
•	Personnel employed at end of reporting period						495
	A Income producing personnel					·	496
	B. Non-income producing personnel (all other),						
	C Total						
	Actual number of tickets executed during current month of						498
	Number of corrected customer confirmations mailed after se						
	No. of Iter		Debit (Short Va		of Items	Credit (Lone	
	Money differences		\$	5010	5020	x s	
	Security suspense accounts	5040	\$	5050	5060	\$	507
	Security difference accounts	5080	\$	5090	5100	\$	511
	Commodity suspense accounts	5120	\$	5130	5140	\$	515
	Open transactions with correspondents,						
	other brokers, clearing organizations,						
	depositories and interoffice and						
	intercompany accounts which could				•		
	intercompany accounts which could insult in a charge unresolved						
	•	5160	s	5170	5180	s	519
	result in a charge-unresolved	5160	\$	5170	5180	s	519
	amounts over 30 calendar days	5160	s	5170 5210 y	5180 5220	ss	
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Stockholders and Directors First Winston Securities, Inc. Winston-Salem, North Carolina

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL STRUCTURE

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of First Winston Securities, Inc. (the Company), for the year ended December 31, 2004, we considered its internal control structure, including procedures for safeguarding securities, in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control structure.

Also, as required by rule 17a-5(g)(1) of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), we have made a study of the practices and procedures followed by the Company, including tests of such practices and procedures that we considered relevant to the objectives stated in rule 17a-5(g), in the following:

- 1. Making the periodic computations of aggregate indebtedness (or aggregate debits) and net capital under rule 17a-3(a)(11) and the reserve required by rule 15c3-3(e)
- 2. Making the quarterly securities examinations, counts, verifications, and comparisons, and the recordation of differences required by rule 17a-13
- 3. Complying with the requirements for prompt payment for securities under Section 8 of Federal Reserve Regulation T of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System
- 4. Obtaining and maintaining physical possession or control of all fully paid and excess margin securities of customers as required by rule 15c3-3

The management of the Company is responsible for establishing and maintaining an internal control structure and the practices and procedures referred to in the preceding paragraph. In fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgments by management are required to assess the expected benefits and related costs of internal control structure policies and procedures, and of the practices and procedures referred to in the preceding paragraph, and to assess whether those practices and procedures can be expected to achieve the SEC's above mentioned objectives.

Two of the objectives of an internal control structure and the practices and procedures are to provide management with reasonable but not absolute assurance that assets for which the Company has responsibility are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition, and that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and recorded properly to permit the preparation of financial statements in accordance with U. S. generally accepted accounting principles. Rule 17a-5(g) lists additional objectives of the practices and procedures listed in the preceding paragraph.

Because of inherent limitations in any internal control structure or the practices and procedures referred to above, errors or irregularities may occur and not be detected. Also, projection of any evaluation of them to future periods is subject to the risk that they may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the effectiveness of their design and operation may deteriorate. Our consideration of the internal control structure would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control structure that might be material weaknesses under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of the specific internal control structure elements does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that errors or irregularities in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. However, we noted no matters involving the internal control structure, including procedures for safeguarding securities, that we consider to be material weaknesses as defined above.

We understand that practices and procedures that accomplish the objectives referred to in the second paragraph of this report are considered by the SEC to be adequate for its purposes in accordances with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and related regulations, and that practices and procedures that do not accomplish such objectives in all material respects indicate a material inadequacy for such purposes. Based on this understanding and on our study, we believe that the Company's practices and procedures were adequate at December 31, 2004, to meet the Commission's objectives.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the SEC, The New York Stock Exchange and other regulatory agencies that rely on rule 17a-5(g) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 in their regulation of registered brokers and dealers, and should not be used for any other purpose.

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Winston-Salem, North Carolina January 13, 2005